TEARS OF ANGUISH.

Weeping in Petersburg Over the Catastrophe of Saturday.

THE BEREAVED FAMILIES.

Fervent Prayers and Eloquent Sermons in All Churches.

PUBLIC MEETING OF CITIZENS.

Funds Freely Contributed for the Relief of Needy Survivors.

STORY OF THE DISASTER.

Thrilling Experiences of Persons Present at the Explosions.

FUNERALS OF THE VICTIMS.

Churches Thronged, and Solemn Processions Sunday.

FOURTEEN DEAD--NINE INJURED.

The Coroner's Inquest - Action of the Council-Origin of the Fire-Losses and Insurance.

draw the curtain gently

n Sunday afternoon, in response to a

Dispatch.

MANY NARROW ESCAPES.

There were many narrow escapes from death or serious injury, and it is evident from discoveries made yesterday and to-day that one or two persons are dead and unaccounted for. Several persons were so shocked by the concussion of the explosion that they wandered off some distance, unconscious of what they were doing or where they were going. Others were felled to the ground, knocked from the feet, and thrown some yards, but their feet, and thrown some yards, but the feet, and thrown some yards, but their feet, and thrown some yards, but the feet away from further damage.

The two young ladies for whose safety

Some of the bodies of the dead were badly mutilated, and it is thought from the discoveries made to-day that still one or more persons might be missing. A

fineral services the churches were not large enough to hold the people who desired to be present. The funerals of James Bryant Quincy Livesy, and John Harris took place to-day, and that of Captain James T. Tosh will be from Grace church to-morrow at it o'clock.

Jowing testimony:

"I have been working at the fireworks factory four years; Saturday I was helping to make the yellow powder; I was in the yellow powder-room by myself when the first explosion took place pressing the water out of a batch of yellow; there were several barrels of saltpetre, magne-

oung man of strong constitution, and nay pull through.

The other wounded are doing favorably.

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EDWARD TRAYLOR,
WHALIAM TRAYLOR,
JAMES W. BRYANT,
GUINGEY LIVESAY,
JAMES W. PERKINS,
JOHN T. HARRIS
THOMAS WOOLFOLK (colored),
SHARFER TRAYLOR (colored),
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tal, \$24,350.86, on warehouse stock: Liverpool, Len-n and Globe, \$1,500; S. M. and National, 080; Continental, \$2,000; New York Unwriter's Agency, £2,989, Imperial, £2,999; don and Lancaster, £1,909; Giens Falls, New York, £2,000; Arcerican of New k, £1,000, Total, £13,289.

H. Bryant Manufacturing Com pany Tobacco-factory building: Scottleh Union and National, fl.56, Cantinental, Bl.50, Old whiskey distillery—Virginia Fire

SUDDEN DEATH.

Miss Helen E. Heath died suddenly at her home, on Old street, Saturday. It is reported that death was caused by fright over the calamity in Blandford. THE CORONER'S INQUEST.

to express sympathy for the families affected by the fire, and to organize measures for the relief of those left without support. The Mayor presided over the meeting, and spoke feelingly of the object for which it was called. Other brief addresses were also delivered, and nearly \$1,500 was contributed on the spot. Committees were appeinted to canvase each ward, and they have been actively at work to-day, meeting with sensine success. The funds thus collected will be turned over to a committee composed of the pasters of the several churches for distribution. The meeting also passed resolutions requesting the Common Council to make a suitable appropriation to this relief-fund.

It was impossible on Saturday night to obtain one since. Each person who was at the fire has a different story of the disaster, and it has been as impossible to obtain one since. Each person who was at the fire has a different story to tell, different experiences to relate, different scenes to describe, and to give, even in part, the statements of those who were present when the second explosion occurred, would fill several pages of the Dispatch.

MANY NARROW ESCAPES.

body was selected for the purpose of the inquest. The jury was fine and only uncertaint the court-house in the city, where several witnesses were swern and examined.

The most important evidence heard by the public, Mr. Hoy stated that he had been in the employment of Romains Brothers for about five years as the foreman of the fireworks department of the factory. He have years as the foreman of the five years as the foreman of the five years as the foreman of the business. In the business the week Mr. Hoy said: "When the first explosion occurred a mild one) I was in a building at the lower corner of the yard attending to my business. There were ten or twelve boys and girls in this building. At the report of the explosion they began to serious different seenes to describe, and to give, even in part, the statements of those who was at the fire what he fire which is a purpose o

fears were felt on Saturday night evere found at a late hour in the house of a friend, where they had fied for safety. So severe was the explosion that fragments of the buildings were blown a great distance, and a great many houses in Blandford were injured. A piece of timber was thrown across the river into Chesterfield county, and crashed through the window of a house. The lady of the house was at the time milking here cow in the yard.

The explosion was heard for several miles in the country.

There was another and a fourth explosion on Sunday morning, caused by the fire reaching a powder pit. The report was plainly heard throughout the city, but no damage was done and no person hurt.

GHASTLY FINDS.

Some of the bodies of the dead were found the witness than dead were content from the budies of the dead were the country of the drying-room on carried. The major of the danger of going too near the burning building. He made no reply, but drove up to the fence, and within eight feet of the drying-room. I remarked to some persons the rice the drying-room. I remarked to some persons the rice the drying-room. I remarked to some persons the drying-room. I remarked to some persons the rice to the drying-room. I remarked to some persons the rice to the drying-room occurred. The drying-room occurred. The were or on timed the witness. The explosion in the drying-room occurred. The explosion in the drying-room occurred. The were occur in the drying-room occurred. The results of the drying-room occurred. The were occur in the drying-room occur in

ORIGIN OF THE FIRE. The witness then said: "The fire was y mutilated, and it is thought from discoveries made to-day that still one more persons might be missing. A set was picked up in one place, a man heart (supposed to be) in another, eee of skull hundreds of feet away, pieces of human bones here and c. To whom they belong is not known, probably never will be.

The witness then said: "The fire was started by the first explosion in the manufacturing-room. Charles Lee, who was in the room at work at the time, told not know how the fire occurred. He was at work at the time pressing powder, and all at once there was a flash above him and he ran out. My probably never will be. from the dry powder which covered the walls of the room, and which will ignite from the slightest spark, was the cause of the fire. I think a spark must have

Major John Page has been elected dele-gate and Mr. N. B. Noland alternate to the Episcopal Council, which meets in Richmond in May.

DANVILLE'S CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. Organization Effected and Officers Elected-Wharton Revival Meetings.

DANVILLE, VA., April 9.—(Special.)— A large number of the business-men of neld, John W. Carter, H. F. Vass, I. Ro-senstock, W. P. Averet, E. F. Acree, E. H. Miller, John F. Risen, M. P. Jordan, J. R. Plensants, J. E. Lipscombe, W. W. Brown, J. B. Cobb, W. W. Waddill, J. R. Jopling, George N. Wilson, W. B. Brooks, J. T. Carter, M. I. Hessberg, J. Kaufman, George T. Fitzgerald, W. A. Holland, P. R. Jones, and George E. Coleman. The board will meet to-mor-row and elect the secretary and treasurer. One hundred and fifty business-men so One hundred and lifty business-men so far have signified their intention of joining the chamber.

W. Simpson, a white man, attempted to take his life yesterday with laudanum, but falled.

The Wharton revival meetings are in creasing in interest, and fimmense crowds are packing the tabernacle nightly. Sun-day night nearly five thousand people were present, and to-night thousands are

District Court begins in Danville to

Death of Captain Duguid.

NEWBERN, N. C., April 9 .- (Special.) Virginia, especially in the operations of the first day of the Chancellorsville en-gagement. A brave man has gone to rest.

The Best of Reasons.

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The success, however, will depend upon the genuineness of the plaster used. The popularity of Alicock's Porous Plasters has been so great that multitudes of initations have sprung up on every hand The only sure cure is to get the genuine Alicock's Porous Plasters.

Brandreth's Pills improve digestion.

WASHINGTON, April 9.-To-day the lawyers' talk to the jury that is to decide upon the claim made by Miss Pollard upon Representative Breckinridge began. It is probable the talk will consume most, if not all, of this week. Judge Bradley indicated a purpose to put a limit of time

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A DAY of gloriously beautiful with a number of others, among them James W. Perkins, Mr. Romaine, and others who were killed. Witness said he was knocked some twenty or thirty steps by the force of the explosion.

Bech blown through the dust."

John E. Wingfield testified to being in the prayers submitted saturday by the attorneys on each side. Immediately afterward Mr. Carlisle began the opening argument for the plaintiff and gave promise of taking the whole day for his part ty or thirty steps by the force of the explosion. witness such as the force of the explosion.

Mr. E. D. Bensiey testified that Messra, Bland, Romaine, Tosh, and others were in the yard attempting to put out the fire in the manufacturing-room when the dreadful explosion occurred. Other witnesses were examined to the same effect, when the Jury were adjourned over until the same of the company of the plaintiff. The Judge, when the Jury were adjourned over until the fire that the same effect, when the Jury were adjourned over until the same of the celebrated case. He was the color of the celebrated case. He was the color of the celebrated case. He was the color of the celebrated case. He was the celebrated case. He wa

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the fact at the time of making the contract.

In the fact at the time of making the contract, and, attracting attention, a search discoved the ladies lying in the road in a helpless state. They were specifity removed to the residence of Mrs. Lee Butler, near at hand, Dr. H. B. Anderson summoned, and everything done that was possible for their comfort and relief. It is gratifying to state that both have now rallied sufficiently to cause the hope for their nitimate recovery, but it will be some time before they can be removed to their own home.

The greatest sympathy is expressed for the unfortunate sufferers, both of whom are invalids, with but little reserve strength to withstand such a terrible shock.

The vestry of St. Martin's parish has decided to have all the churches—four in

that he knew she was not tree from faunt at the time of his first intercourse with her, the jury are instructed that, even if they believe from the evidence that the plaintiff was not chaste before such intercourse with the defendant, and that he knew of such previous unchastity, such facts would not justify a verdict for fact that she had informed him that she had had improper relations with the said Rodes would not affect the validity of his contract of marriage, or further justi-fy the refusal to keep said promise.

AS TO DAMAGES. AS TO DAMAGES.

If the jury find from the evidence that the defendant was married on the 29th day of April. 1891; that he kept, and caused to be kept that marriage a secret thereafter, and that without disclosing the fact of that marriage he promised to marry the plaintiff, or repeated or avowed a previously made engagement of marriage with her, such secret marriage would be no defence to this action.

The jury are instructed that if they find for the plaintiff in estimating the damages they are to consider all the facts

The jury are instructed that if they find for the plaintiff in estimating the damages they are to consider all the facts in evidence as to the relations between the parties up to the breaking of the promise, the prospective pecuniary and social advantages to the plaintiff from social advantages to the plaintain rows such marriage, the injury to the plaintiff's feelings and reputation by its violation, the manner and circumstances of its violation, and the suffering of the plaintiff caused thereby, and its effects upon her means of earning a livelihood in the future; and the jury are also to the lively consideration the wrong comtake into consideration the wrong com-mitted by the defendant and may award

mitted by the defendant and may award exemplary damages as well.

If the jury find for the plaintiff, and they further find that the plaintiff was free from fault, save with the defendant; or if they further believe that the defendant knew this and that the attempt to impeach the plaintiff's character was not made in good faith by him, but merely as a means of defence, or to injure not made in good faith by him, but merely as a means of defence, or to injure the plaintiff, then they may consider those facts in assessing the damages, but the jury cannot award more than the amount charged in the declaration, to wit, \$50,000.

FOR THE DEFENCE.

fence, as finally amended and allowed, were as follows:

Before the plaintiff can recover in this action the jury must believe from all the evidence that the contract was entered into between the plaintiff and the defendant by which they agreed with each other to become husband and wife.

If the jury find from the evidence that statements were made by the plaintiff and defendant in the presence of or to third persons that they were engaged to be married to each other or that they intended to marry each other, that such statements were made pursuant to a prior understanding and agreement between the plaintiff and defendant for the purpose of deceiving such third persons, and were not made in good faith, such statements are not to be taken as constituting or evidencing the existence of a contract to marry.

MILWAUKEE, April 9.—The Davidson

statements are not to be taken as con-stituting or evidencing the existence of a contract to marry.

The jury are instructed that the bur-den of proof to establish the contract sued on is upon the plaintiff, and that they should find for the defendant unless they believe from all the evidence in the case that it was mutually agreed between the plaintiff and the defendant that they were in fact to be married.

indicated a purpose to put a limit of time upon each side, but, in response to an earnest appeal from both sides, this morning decided not to impose any such limit, but trust to the lawyers themselves not to unnecessarily consume time.

The Judge this morning announced his decision granting, refusing, or modifying the prayers submitted Saturday by the attorneys on each side. Immediately afterward Mr. Carlisle began the opening argument for the plaintiff and gave promise of taking the whole day for his part of the oratorical display which is to close the celebrated case. He will be followed

If the jury find from the evidence that there was a contract of marriage between the plaintiff and the defendant, and also members of the insurance patrol were the plaintiff and the defendant, and also fail to find that the defendant has been relieved therefrom, they may, in mitigation of the damages, consider the plaintiff's general character, if the same was bad, and they may also consider, for the said purpose, the plaintiff's admitted want of virtue, unless they believe that she was led astray by the defendant, EXCEPTIONS.

Each side noted exception to the judge's action in admitting instructions for the other side, and in excluding such of its own as were not allowed.

After Judge Bradley had finished anbled with the followed is never to be forgotten by those who witnessed it. For a moment all was dark, then suddenly a tremendous sheet of flame shot up, and with it came the cries of the firemen who had fallen through the roof to the theatre

After Judge Bradley had finished an- below, nouncing his decision upon the prayers submitted, he asked if it was understood that the ilmitation as to time indicated that the ilmitation as to time indicated. The men were buried under the blazing that the limitation as to time indicated Saturday was satisfactory. Mr. Butterworth said he thought each

ATTACKS ON HER CHARACTER. He would leave for future consideration the particular communication the defend-ant said the plaintiff made to him, re-specting Mr. Rodes, but he would go over

Theatre, the finest play-house in Milwaukee and one of the handsomest and costliest theatres in the country, was de 4 and 5 o'clock. The valuable scenery carried by the Lilliputians, whose tendays' engagement at the theatre was to close on Wednesday night, is all gone. Manager Rosenthal, of the company, says it was worth \$25,000. Shortly after 5 o'clock, when the fire

was seemingly under control, the theatre roof, on which a score or more of the brave firemen stood as they fought the flames, went down and the brave men were carried with it to the floor of the auditorium below. Some were extricated from the furnace of flames in which the brave and more fortunate comrades, who risked their lives to drag out the pros-If the jury shall find from the evidence that the plaintiff had been guilty of improper conduct with a man named or called James C. Rodes, and that the defendant had condoned such acts with said Rodes, yet, if they find from the evidence that the plaintiff had been guilty of improper conduct with some other man, the verdict must be for the defendant, even if the knowledge of such conduct did not come to the defendant until after his refusal to marry the plaintiff.

If the jury find from the evidence that

A cry of horror went up from the fire

Mr. Shelby here noted exceptions to the judge's decisions on the prayers so far as they were adverse to the defense. Mr. Wilson said it would be understood that such exceptions were noted on both sides.

OPENING ARGUMENT.

Mr. Carlisle then took his place before the jury to begin the opening argument for the plaintiff.

He referred to the fact that it had been his duty a month ago yesterday to make the opening statement of the case as to what the plaintiff claimed would be proved in this case. The jury and others engaged in the case were performing their duties in the community. Now it was his duty to open the argument of with all twere on the roof where the main portion of the fire was raging. Suddenly, without a moment's warning, the roof gave way, and down it went with all the men. Third-Assistant-Chief

his duty a month any yesterday to make the opening statement of the case as to what the plaintiff chimed was as to what the plaintiff chimed was also what the plaintiff chimed was also what the plaintiff chimed was also as the community. Now it was the community to sope the argument of what has been proved by craditional that his opening statement was careful and beniperate; he believed that the promises then make had a make that the promises the make had a make that the promises the make had a make that the promises the make had a make the community of the community. The was also so the further was a man of the plaintiff, the defendant, and the community, was and what its relations were to the plaintiff, and the defendant, what the community was and what its relations were to the plaintiff, and the defendant what the community was and what its relations were to the plaintiff, and the defendant what the community. The jury, be said, was drawn from an experience of the interest the proposed with two rows of tables, an evidence of the interest the community had not represented by the defendant, she may be community throughout the interest the polantiff was a Kreintiff, was a friendless woman of hish position, and the plaintiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of promisence and what it increases to represent his constituents in the councies of the analysis of the polantiff was a friendless woman of hish position, and the polantiff was a friendless woman of promisence and the polantification of the polantification of the polantification of the polantification of

The Davidson Theatre was opened in September, 1891, by the Emma Juch Opera Company. Manager Sherman Brown stated, as he stood watching the smoke curling up to the studded and frescoed ceiling, which had been his pride: "The original cost to John and Alexander Davidson was between \$150,000 and \$400,000. The loss, of course, is mainly on the interior. The wails will stand when all else is gone. There is no way to esti-

reopen. I have no doubt the theatre will be rebuilt."

Mrs. Harrison's Novels. (New York Times.)

Mrs. Burton Harrison has two novels. One entitled "An Errant Wooing" has for scenes an English country house and the Alhambra. The other is called "A Bachelor, Girl," and deals with the woman-suffage question.

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